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To extend certain deadlines for the 2020 decennial census.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. SCHATZ (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. SULLIVAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “2020 Census Deadline
5 Extensions Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CENSUS DEADLINE MODIFICATION.**

7 Notwithstanding the timetables provided in sub-
8 sections (b) and (c) of section 141 of title 13, United
9 States Code, and section 22(a) of the Act entitled “An
10 Act to provide for the fifteenth and subsequent decennial
11 censuses and to provide for apportionment of Representa-

1 tives in Congress”, approved June 18, 1929 (2 U.S.C.
2 2a(a)), for the 2020 decennial census of population—

3 (1) the tabulation of total population by States
4 required by subsection (a) of such section 141 for
5 the apportionment of Representatives in Congress
6 among the several States shall be—

7 (A) completed and reported by the Sec-
8 retary of Commerce (referred to in this section
9 as the “Secretary”) to the President not earlier
10 than 1 year and not later than 13 months after
11 the decennial census date of April 1, 2020; and

12 (B) made public by the Secretary not later
13 than the date on which the tabulation is re-
14 ported to the President under subparagraph
15 (A);

16 (2) the President shall transmit to Congress a
17 statement showing the whole number of persons in
18 each State, and the number of Representatives to
19 which each State would be entitled under an appor-
20 tionment of the then existing number of Representa-
21 tives, as required by such section 22(a), and deter-
22 mined solely as described therein, not later than 14
23 days after receipt of the tabulation reported by the
24 Secretary; and

1 (3) the tabulations of population required by
2 subsection (c) of such section 141 shall be completed
3 by the Secretary as expeditiously as possible after
4 the decennial census date of April 1, 2020, taking
5 into account the deadlines of each State for legisla-
6 tive apportionment or districting, and reported to
7 the Governor of the State involved and to the offi-
8 cers or public bodies having responsibility for legisla-
9 tive apportionment or districting of that State, ex-
10 cept that the tabulations of population of each State
11 requesting a tabulation plan, and basic tabulations
12 of population of each other State, shall be com-
13 pleted, reported, and transmitted to each respective
14 State not later than 16 months after the decennial
15 census date of April 1, 2020.

16 **SEC. 3. 2020 CENSUS OPERATIONS.**

17 For the 2020 decennial census of population, the Bu-
18 reau of the Census may not conclude the Nonresponse
19 Followup operation or the Self-Response operation before
20 October 31, 2020.

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